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### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

# TRANSMITTAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re:

U.S. Patent Application No. 10/786,385 filed 02/24/04

Applicant: Alan Wheatley et al.

Title: AIR FRESHENER AND METHOD

Group Art Unit: 3752

Attorney Docket No.: 00980-21475.NP

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Cordially,

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